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House Bill \_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_

Senate No. SJR0257  
By Womack

A RESOLUTION to congratulate and commend John Hardin on his outstanding work and exemplary performance as the private intern to Senator Andy Womack.

WHEREAS, throughout the course of each legislative session, there have on occasion emerged certain individuals who far exceed the basic requirements set forth for them to follow; and

WHEREAS, John Hardin has distinguished himself as one such individual through his hard work and tireless efforts as a legislative intern to Senator Andy Womack and his staff, Sandi Jones and Jacqueline Nash; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hardin is a proud Tennessean, hailing from beautiful Murfreesboro where he is the son of Art and Eve Hardin; and

WHEREAS, John is currently a senior at Middle Tennessee State University majoring in Political Science and minoring in English and Psychology with expectations of receiving his degree next year; and

WHEREAS, he has experienced the finer points of the Tennessee General Assembly and has especially enjoyed riding the trolley, attending intern meetings, observing Senate Judiciary hearings and meeting Governor Don Sundquist; and

WHEREAS, he has also enjoyed the great things that come from being a legislative intern, such as hanging with Team Womack, pool at Big River, fresh donuts and continuous fresh brewed coffee; and

WHEREAS, he has become acquainted with things that make the Tennessee General Assembly truly unique, including weekly free barbecue, the coffee supply pickup and getting "the mail with Mel" routine, Governor John Wilder in action and numerous cute blonde lobbyists; and

WHEREAS, his internship experience will stand him in good stead as he becomes a corporate trial attorney after having had the opportunity to watch Senators Cohen and Koella go head to head on numerous occasions as well as picking up free legal advice from Senators Gilbert and Fowler; and

WHEREAS, he has conducted himself in a meritorious manner and learned the value of "don't be a chip" and also has become familiar with the quote from Robert Louis Stevenson, "Politics is the only profession for which no preparation is thought necessary". and

WHEREAS, John has also had the privilege of harassing and being harassed by fellow office intern Mary Ellen "Mel" Coleman and will remember the experience fondly and will soon never again be summoned by the call of "Flagman" or "Water(coffee)boy"; and

WHEREAS, the only thing besides a congratulatory resolution that could make his internship complete would be reaching Chip level 133, obtaining an office pool table or the installation of a 24 hour "Jeopardy!" channel, none of which were included on any of the budget amendments he filed with "Senate Financy" to obtain the necessary funding; and

WHEREAS, Mr. John Hardin has performed his duties and many responsibilities with extraordinary ingenuity and decorum which in the words of Speaker Wilder translates to "He was good."; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and congratulate John Hardin on his outstanding service as a legislative intern to Senator Andy, Womack, and staff, Sandi Jones and Jacqueline Nash and express our deepest appreciation and thanks to him. We wish John every good thing in life and success in all his future efforts including all future political endeavors. GO BLUE RAIDERS!!

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That two appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.